Sec. 2. This act applies only to the City of Raleigh.

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of June, 1988.

H.B. 546

## **CHAPTER 999**

## AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** G.S. 96-8(6)k is amended by adding a second paragraph to read as follows:

"17. Services performed by an inmate of the North Carolina prison system on work release."

Sec. 2. G.S. 96-9(c)(4)a is amended by adding a second

paragraph to read as follows:

"On or after August 1, 1988, whenever any individual, group of individuals, or employing unit, who or which, in any manner succeeds to or acquires all of the organization, trade, or business of another employing unit as provided in G.S. 96-8, subdivision (5). paragraph b, the account of the predecessor shall be transferred as of the date of the acquisition of the business to the successor employer for use in the determination of his rate of contributions. Whenever any individual, group of individuals, or employing unit, who or which, in any manner succeeds to or acquires a distinct and severable portion of the organization, trade, or business of another employing unit as provided in G.S. 96-8, subdivision (5), paragraph b, that part of the account of the predecessor which relates to the acquired portion of the business shall, upon the mutual consent of the parties concerned and approval of the Commission in conformity with the regulations as prescribed therefor, be transferred as of the date of acquisition of the business to the successor employer for use in the determination of his rate of contributions, provided application for transfer is made within 60 days after the Commission notifies the successor of his right to request such transfer, otherwise the effective date of the transfer shall be the first day of the calendar quarter in which such application is filed, and that after the transfer the successor employing unit continues to operate the transferred portion of such organization, trade or business. Provided, however, that the transfer of an account for the purpose of computation of rates shall be deemed to have been made prior to the computation date falling within the calendar year within which the effective date of such transfer occurs and the account shall thereafter be used in the computation of